

AMENDMENTS

In the Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A data transmission apparatus for transmitting image data over a network, the data transmission apparatus comprising:

an image reader for obtaining image data by reading an original document;

a storage device in which the obtained image data is stored;

a requester to transmit an inquiry ~~a request~~ to a recipient to which the image data stored in the storage device is to be sent, wherein the recipient is requested to designate contents of a conversion processes to be performed to the image data;

a first receiver to receive from the recipient a recipient's designation of the contents of the conversion processes;

a second receiver to receive from the recipient the recipient's designation of the contents of the conversion processes via a transmission medium different from that used by the first receiver;

a switcher to switch between the first and second receivers depending on the recipient;

a converter to perform the conversion processes on the image data stored in the storage device based on the contents of the designated conversion processes; and

a transmitter to transmit the image data that has undergone the conversion processes to the recipient.

2. (Previously Presented) A data transmission apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the requester has a mail transmitter to transmit an e-mail to request the recipient's designation of the contents of the conversion processes.

3. (Previously Presented) A data transmission apparatus according to claim 2, wherein the first receiver receives the recipient's designation of the contents of the conversion processes based

on an instruction sent from the recipient via a setting screen that is used to designate the contents of the conversion processes and that was referred to by the recipient based on information that was attached to the e-mail and indicates location of data for the setting screen, and

wherein the second receiver receives the recipient's designation of the contents of the conversion processes via an e-mail that was returned from the recipient in response to the e-mail sent by the mail transmitter.

4. (Previously Presented) A data transmission apparatus according to claim 3, wherein the switcher switches to the first receiver when a domain name in an e-mail address of the recipient is identical to a domain name in an e-mail address of a sender, and to the second receiver when the domain name in the e-mail address of the recipient is different from the domain name in the e-mail address of the sender.

5. (Original) A data transmission apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the conversion processes include at least a resolution conversion process, a color conversion process or a file format conversion process.

6. (Previously Presented) A data transmission apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising a recipient change receiver to receive an instruction to change the recipient, and wherein the transmitter transmits the image data that has undergone the conversion processes to a new recipient when the recipient is changed.

7. (Previously Presented) A data transmission method for transmitting image data over a network, the data transmission method comprising:

obtaining image data by reading an original document;

storing the image data obtained in a storage device;

requesting, via a transmission to a recipient to which the image data stored in the storage device is to be sent, that the recipient designates contents of conversion processes to be performed to the image data;

receiving from the recipient, a designation of the contents of the conversion processes via one of multiple different transmission media specified depending on the recipient;

performing the conversion processes to the image data stored in the storage device based on the contents of the conversion processes designated; and

sending to the recipient the image data that has undergone the conversion processes.

8. (Previously Presented) A data transmission program that causes a computer to execute a process comprising:

requesting via a transmission to a recipient to which image data is to be sent, that the recipient designates contents of conversion processes to be performed to the image data;

setting a transmission medium, by which recipient's designation of the contents of the conversion processes is received, to a first transmission medium or to a second transmission medium depending on the recipient;

receiving from the recipient, the recipient's designation of the contents of the conversion processes via the transmission medium set;

performing the conversion processes to the image data to be sent based on the contents of the conversion processes designated; and

sending the image data that has undergone the conversion processes to the recipient.

9. (Previously Presented) A data transmission program according to claim 8, wherein requesting of the recipient's designation of the contents of the conversion processes is made through transmission of an e-mail.

10. (Previously Presented) A data transmission program according to claim 9, wherein the recipient's designation of the contents of the conversion processes is received via an instruction sent from the recipient using a setting screen that is used to designate the contents of the conversion processes and that was referred to by the recipient based on information that was attached to the e-mail and indicates location of data for the setting screen if the transmission medium is set to the first transmission medium, and the recipient's designation of the contents of the conversion processes is received via an e-mail returned in response to the e-mail sent if the transmission medium is set to the second transmission medium.

11. (Previously Presented) A data transmission program according to claim 10, wherein, at the setting of the transmission medium, the transmission medium is set to the first transmission medium when a domain name in an e-mail address of the recipient is identical to a domain name in an e-mail address of a sender, and the transmission medium is set to the second transmission medium when the domain name in the e-mail address of the recipient is different from the domain name in the e-mail address of the sender.

12. (Previously Presented) A data transmission program according to claim 8, wherein the process to be executed by the computer further comprises a step of receiving an instruction to change the recipient, and when the recipient is changed, the image data that has undergone the conversion processes is sent to the new recipient.

13. (Original) A recording medium readable by a computer in which the data transmission program recited in claim 8 is stored.